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AN ACT to amend Chapter 161 of the Private Acts of 1897, as amended by Chapter 18 of the Private Acts of 1975, Chapter 138 of the Private Acts of 1994 and all other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the term and duties of the Mayor.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Section 5-A of the charter of the City of LaFollette is amended by deleting from it in its entirety all of said section and substituting instead the following:

The Mayor shall be elected directly by the electorate for a term of four (4) years from the date of the next city election. Candidates for the office of Mayor shall qualify and run expressly for that position. The Mayor shall be the chief executive officer of the city and shall perform such duties as may be required of him by statute or ordinance. The Mayor shall preside over meetings of the City Council and shall have a vote only in the case of a tie vote of other members of Council.

The election for the office of Mayor shall be held at the regular November election when the election immediately precedes the commencement of a full term. The elections shall be conducted by the Election Commission of Campbell County in

accordance with Title 2 of the Tennessee Code Annotated regulating the conduct of all elections by the people.

All elections shall be conducted by the Election Commission of Campbell County in accordance with Title 2 of the Tennessee Code Annotated. The present term of the mayor which expires November 30, 1995, shall be extended until his successor is elected in the regular November 1996 Election, and the next four (4) year term shall begin on the first day of December following the elections.

SECTION 2. Nothing in this act shall be construed as having the effect of removing any incumbent from office or abridging the term of any official prior to the end of the term for which such official was elected.

SECTION 3. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of LaFollette. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the City of LaFollette and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 4. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 3.

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